California Horse Racing Board

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS Pacific Racing Association

Golden Gate Fields, Berkeley, California

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Report for the Week of Thursday, November 14, 2019 Through Sunday, November 17, 2019

THURSDAY

11/14/19¹

ENTRIES & CHANGES

Steward **John Herbuveaux** was on duty to handle any business relating to Friday's changes or Sunday's entries.

FRIDAY

11/15/19¹

COUTON RULING

Ruling # 18

Jockey **Julien Couton** is fined the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) * for reporting late to the jockeys' room on November 11, 2019; a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1680 (Jockeys and Drivers to Report).

The above Ruling was issued after **Couton** appeared and said he forgot to call.

11/15/19² **PENA RULING**

Ruling # 17

Jockey **Brayan Pena** who rode **My Idol** in the fourth race at **Golden Gate Fields** on November 11, 2019 is fined the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

The above Ruling was issued after **Pena** appeared and accepted the penalty. He stated that he got overzealous when he realized he was going to win the race.

11/15/19³ PUENTES/ QUINTANA DISQUALIFICATION HEARING CASE 19BM0048

A hearing was opened concerning the possible disqualification of the Quarter Horse "Corona Spesial" which ran in the 2_{ND} race at the Sonoma county Fair on August 10, 2019 finishing 3_{RD} . U.C. Davis Laboratory reported "Zilpaterol" in the urine sample #F17047 taken from "Corona Spesial". The trainer of record was Jose Puentes and the owner of record was Victor Quintana who were both present. Mr. Quintana brought his wife as an observer and California Thoroughbred Trainers Representative Bill Patterson sat in.

The case was presented by Supervising Investigator Louis Quezada and Investigator Noe Longoria helped translate for Mr. Quintana after all parties agreed to his participation. Before we could get to the heart of the matter a question was raised about the split sample procedure. It seems that Mr. Puentes had requested a split sample be tested and paid the thirty-five-dollar fee to the California Horse Racing Board which is "to cover costs of materials, packing, shipping and handling", according to California Horse Racing Board form 56. Mr. Puentes filled out the form picking a laboratory for the split to be sent. A memorandum from split sample custodian Deborah Dugally dated September 16, 2019 stated that the Laboratory Puentes picked had not received payment. According to Puentes he thought the Laboratory was going to contact him. Unfortunately, the time had elapsed (5 days) for him to pay. Because of the confusion and a possible language barrier Mr. Puentes was told to contact Sacramento and see if he could still pay and get a split done. The hearing was then postponed until an answer could be received from the main Sacramento office.

11/15/19⁴ INQUIRY – 3RD RACE DISQUALIFICATION

The Inquiry sign was posted to review the stretch run concerning #5 I Declare War (Antongeorgi 1_{ST}) #9 Uncontainable (Amador 2_{ND}) and #2 Van Cortlandt (Pena 3_{RD}). Replays show #5 Tiring while on the lead nearing the finish and bearing out causing the #2 to check slightly and then continue out to bump #9 off its path.

11/15/19⁵ **PROGRAM SCRATCHES**

1_{ST} Race: #5 Sweet Alley (Tr. Clifford DeLima) Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 404.34
3_{RD} Race: #3 Bitter Ring Home (Tr. Cesar DeAlba) Injured – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 556.76
*4_{TH} Race: #4 Bunker Buster (Tr. Clifford DeLima) Unsound – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 767.40
#5 Senditlikechilly – (Tr. Ari Herbertson) Injured – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ See Above
#6 Roman Rocket – (Tr. Daniel Franco) Sick – Dr. Christin – Refund \$ See Above
*- Field Reduced to Four Horses – Show Wagering Canceled

9_{TH} Race: #9 Minister's Girl (Tr. Jonathan Wong) Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 180.14

11/15/19⁶ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,197	\$497,335.38
GG	516	\$163,849.90
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$1,014,686.11
TOTAL	1,713	\$1,675,871.39

SATURDAY

11/16/19¹ ANTONGEORGI RULING (REF 11/15/19⁴)

Ruling # 19

Jockey William Antongeorgi III who rode I Declare War in the third race at Golden Gate Fields on November 15, 2019 is suspended five (5) racing days November 23, 24, 28, 29 and 30, 2019 for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from first to second; a

violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (c) & (e) (Riding Rules-Careless Riding-Second offense in the last sixty days).

The above Ruling was issued after **Mr. Antongeorgi** appeared and reviewed the race. He agreed with our assessment that he should have tried to correct his mount before bumping a rival.

11/16/19² WRIGHT RULING CASE #19GG0147

Ruling # 20

Trainer **Blaine Wright**, who started the horse **Anneau d'Or**, winner of the eighth race at Golden Gate Fields on September 29, 2019, is fined the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00)*, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule # 1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances- Methocarbamol [Class 4]).

The above Ruling was issued after **Mr. Wright** appeared and accepted responsibility. He stated that he had treated the horse in question with **Robaxin** (Methocarbamol) but stopped at least five days before the race and had never had a problem. He thought that there must have been a mix-up at the barn and the horse accidently got treated inside the normal five-day stopping period. **Mr. Wright** has an outstanding record of compliance with the rules but unfortunately this horse tested with Robaxin in its system.

11/16/19³ **BROOK RULING CASE #19GG0143**

Ruling # 21

Trainer **Joe Brook**, who started the horse **Felony One**, winner of the seventh race at **Golden Gate Fields** on September 14, 2019, is fined the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00)*, pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a) & (d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances- more than one medication –Flunixin and Phenylbutazone [Class 4]).

The above Ruling was issued after **Mr. Brook** appeared and accepted responsibility for the presence of **Phenylbutazone** and **Banamine** (Flunixin) in his filly's system. He said that he hasn't had this filly on Banamine for over a year and didn't have any at the barn. Neither his veterinarian nor groom had any idea how the Banamine got in the Post Race Test. A mystery. Brook has not had a medication violation in the past five years.

11/16/19⁴ **FOG**

Fog was rolling in off the Bay' blocking the camera shots from the 1/4, 3/8 and 7/8 towers. The horses were ordered to the Gate while we waited for sufficient visibility to run the first race. The race was run after a ten-minute delay when the fog dissipated enough. The second race was run under the same circumstance with a nine-minute delay. The fog burned off before post time for the third race and the rest of the day went without incident.

11/16/19⁵ PROGRAM SCRATCHES

8_{TH} Race: #9 **Got Tobe Awesome** (Tr. **Melanie McDonald**) Injured–Dr. Sporer–Refund \$ 135.60 9_{TH} Race: #4 **Midvale Magic** (Tr. **Jamey Thomas**) Sick – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 180.14

11/16/19⁶ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	COT 1,924						
GG	1,222						
OUT OF STATE	n/a	\$1,833,879.26					
TOTAL	3,146	\$2,814,104.04					

GARCIA RULING - CASE 19GG0153

Ruling # 22

Pony Person/Exercise Rider/Jockey **Shyann T. Garcia** is fined the sum of one Hundred dollars (\$100.00) * for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct- Use of Marijuana) on October 20, 2019.

The above Ruling was issued after **Ms. Garcia** appeared and admitted to using Marijuana for pain relief. She was told that performing any duties on Horseback while having Marijuana in her system is against the rules and dangerous. If she is tested again and has any rule violating substances in her system, the consequences could be much more severe.

11/17/19² 3RD RACE INQUIRY DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was posted to review the stretch run concerning #2 Freaking Genius (1_{ST} Francisco Monroy) #4 Include Eddy (3_{RD} Ricardo Gonzalez) and #1 Glenroy (4_{TH} Alejandro Gomez). #2 is near the rail, #4 is to his outside and #1 is outside of #4 as they near the wire. #2 steps out bumping #4 who in turn bumps the #1. The Jockeys on #4 and #1 are forced to steady and #3 Peter The Great (Julien Couton) comes on the outside to beat #4 a nose and #1 a head to run second. In the unanimous opinion of the Stewards #2 cost the #4 and the #1 a chance at a better placing. #2 was disqualified and place 4_{TH} behind #1.

Original order of finish: <u>2</u>-3-4-1-5-6 Official order of finish: <u>3</u>-4-1-<u>2</u>-5-6

11/17/19³ PROGRAM SCRATCHES

1_{ST} Race: #4 **Fantasy Golf Gal**–(Tr. **McLean**) Injured-Gate–Dr. Grantham–Refund \$ 46,485.67 5_{TH} Race: #5 **Louis Two Times** – (Tr. **Jamie Thomas**) Injured – Dr. Sporer – Refund \$ 440.25

8_{TH} Race: #1 Ca Dreamer - (Tr. Steve Miyadi) Injured - Dr. Sporer - Refund \$ 762.38

11/17/19⁴ DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	1,410	\$ 512,219.75				
GG	2,177	\$ 339,610.97				
OUT of STATE	n/a	\$ 1,576,258.75				
TOTAL	3,587	\$ 2,428,089.47				

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
15-Nov.	1	5	Sweet Alley	C. DeLima	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 404.34
15-Nov.	3	3	Bitter Ring Home	C. DeAlba	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ 556.76
15-Nov.	4	4	Bunker Buster	C. DeLima	Unsound	Dr. Sporer	\$ 767.40
15-Nov.	4	5	Senditlikechilly	A. Herbertson	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ See Above
15-Nov.	4	6	Roman Rocket	D. Franco	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$ See Above
15-Nov.	9	9	Minister's Girl	J. Wong	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 180.14
16-Nov.	8	9	Got Tobe Awesome	M. McDonald	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ 135.60
16-Nov.	9	4	Midvale Magic	J. Thomas	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$ 180.14
17-Nov.	1	4	Fantasy Golf Gal	B. McLean	Injured	Dr. Grantham	\$ 46,485.67
17-Nov.	5	5	Louis Two Times	J. Thomas	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ 440.25
17-Nov.	8	1	Ca Dreamer	S. Miyadi	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ 762.38
17-Nov.	8	8	Duranga	B. Wright	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$ See Above

SUMMARY

	Fri. 11/15	Sat. 11/16	Sun 11/17	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	5
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	5
Claims	4	2	1	7	33
Disqualifications	1	0	1	2	5
Inquiries	1	0	1	2	14
Refunds	7	4	7	18	100
Rulings	2	3	1	6	22
Voided Claims	0	0	0	0	10

WM/DD